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Title: THRUST SLIDING BEARING

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

 Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment	15	minus highest number	
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$50.00
			\$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$

Independent claims after amendment	1	minus highest number	
previously paid for	3	(at least 3) =	0 x \$200.00
			\$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add
\$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$

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Four Month Extensions	\$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254)
Five Month Extensions	\$2160.00 (1255)/\$1080.00 (2255) \$

Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add
\$130.00 (1814)/ \$65.00 (2814) \$

Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Election of Species Requirement dated February 27, 2007, Applicants elect the embodiment of Species I which includes Figures 1-4. Claims 1, 2 and 4-15 are readable on the elected species. In the event that generic independent claim 1 is found to be allowable, rejoinder of non-elected claim 3 is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a listing of all of the pending claims along with their status.